REMARKS

Claims 1, 6, 10-12, 16, 25-27, 32, 36-38, 42, and 77-92 are pending in the application. Claims 1, 27, 86, and 92 are independent. By the foregoing Amendment, claims 1, 6, 10, 27, 32, 36-38, and 42 have been amended, claims 2-5, 7-9, 13-15, 17-19, 21-24, 28-31, 33-35, 39-41, and 43-76 have been canceled, and claims 77-92 have been added. It is believed that these changes introduce no new matter and their entry is respectfully requested.

CONCLUSION

The Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned representative if the Examiner believes that an interview might be useful for any reason.

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